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## Notice of Allowability

Application No.

08/157,195

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Kenneth R. Horlick

Group Art Unit 1634



All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.
★ This communication is responsive to the response filed 12/23/97 and interview of 07/08/98     ★ This communication is responsive to the response filed 12/23/97 and interview of 07/08/98
∑ The allowed claim(s) is/are 67-109 (final claims 1-43)
☐ The drawings filed on are acceptable.
Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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🔀 received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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□ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
$\boxtimes$ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. <u>10</u> .
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on, which has been approved by the examiner.
including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.
Attachment(s)
□ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s).
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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with William Player on 07/08/98. Authorization to charge any fee associated with this amendment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358 was also given.

The application has been amended as follows:

#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

- In claim 79, delete -- of preferably from 15 to 20 G:C residues--.
- Add the following new claim:

13 109. The process according to Claim 79, wherein said primer has from 15 to 20 G:C residues at the 5' terminus.



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2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: see paragraph 9 of the Office action mailed 04/20/95.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dr. Kenneth Horlick whose telephone number is (703) 308-3905. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 6:30 AM-5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones, can be reached at (703) 308-1152.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

4. Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CM1 Fax Center numbers for Group 1600 are (703) 305-3014 and 305-4227.

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